

Remarks/Arguments:

Applicants have filed this Fourth Preliminary Amendment to add claims 85-92. Claims 85-92 are substantially copied from U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0195614, published on October 16, 2003 by Ryan et al. A copy of the '614 Patent Application Publication is submitted herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

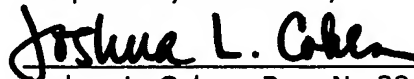
Claims 85-92 are believed to be identical to claims 54-61 which had been copied from U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0156521 in Applicants' First Preliminary Amendment filed on October 24, 2003. Nevertheless, claims 85-92 have been added in this Fourth Preliminary Amendment in an abundance of caution in case it is required by 35 U.S.C. § 135(b)(2).

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0156521 stemmed from Application No. 09/502,942, filed on February 11, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,576,009. Claims substantially the same as claims of the '009 patent are currently pending in Application No. 09/657,041 (Attorney Docket No. BSI-430US8).

For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants have summarized below a correlation between the claims in the four Preliminary Amendments that have been filed in this application and the documents from which they have been substantially copied:

| <u>Claims</u> | <u>Applicant(s)</u> | <u>Published Application or Patent</u> | <u>Date Added</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|--|-------------------|
| 54-61 | Ryan et al. | 2002/0156521 | 10/24/03 |
| 67-69 | White et al. | 6,582,458 | 6/22/04 |
| 70-84 | White et al. | 6,613,073 | 9/1/04 |
| 85-92 | Ryan et al. | 2003/0195614 | herewith |

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